

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_

Introduced by: Pryor

A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing Candace Ewing as a recipient of the 2012 Milken Family Foundation Educator Award.

Whereas, Candace Ewing, assistant principal of Snacks Crossing Elementary School in Indianapolis, was selected to receive the 2012 Milken Family Foundation Educator Award;

Whereas, The Milken award program was begun in California in 1985, and its first recipients were chosen in 1987;

Whereas, The Milken Family Foundation Educator Award is the nation's preeminent teacher recognition program and was nicknamed the "Oscars of Teaching" by Teacher Magazine;

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Whereas, Forty new Milken Educator Award recipients are selected nationwide each year, with 57 Hoosier teachers receiving the award since Indiana joined the program in 1993;

Whereas, In order to be considered for this award, educators must display certain qualities as an educator - exceptional innovation and management skills, communications skills, motivational skills, and leadership skills;

Whereas, Candace Ewing, a native of Indianapolis and a former student in the Metropolitan School District of Pike Township, exemplifies all the qualities represented by the Milken Award;

Whereas, As a classroom teacher, Candace Ewing was innovative in her teaching methods;

Whereas, To fire up the interest of her students in reading, Candace Ewing had them create a series of summer reading videos that helped increase standardized test scores schoolwide;

Whereas, As assistant principal, Candace Ewing helps teachers at all grade levels, disaggregates data throughout the building, and leads the staff to employ data-based instruction building wide;

Whereas, In addition to her work at Snacks Crossing Elementary School, Candace is a trusted mentor at the district level, presented at both the Literacy and the Best Practices conferences, and worked on a writing curriculum with the Indiana Partnership for Young Writers; and

Whereas, Candace Ewing has received the special recognition she so richly deserves. She has instilled the youth of Indiana with a desire to learn - a desire that will enable our children to accomplish great things and enrich their entire lives and the lives of all the people around them: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

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| 1 | SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives                 |
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| 2 | congratulates Candace Ewing on her selection as a 2012 Milken Family |
| 3 | Foundation Educator Award winner and thanks her for her years of     |
| 4 | dedicated service to the children of our state.                      |
| 5 | SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of                  |
| 6 | Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Candace Ewing. |

